

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 13 September 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 13 September 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

This computer image file is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The image is an illustration that depicts a man sexually abusing a very young girl. The image is intended for the sexual arousal of adults with a sexual interest in children. The availability of this material is likely to encourage this sexual interest and strengthen the idea that children may be used for adult sexual gratification. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.